Perinatal Advisory Committee Meeting
April 7, 2005
James R. Thompson Center
100 West Randolph
Chicago, IL
Conference Room 031

Members Present
Howard Strassner, Chair   Harold Bigger   Nancy Marshall
Cathy Gray              Gail Wilson    John Paton
Barbara Prochnicki      J. Roger Powell

Members Excused
John Barton              Jose Gonzales   Sharon Bloch
Phyllis Lawlor Klean

Members Absent
Thomas Myers              Thomas Gross    Patricia Brady

IDPH Staff Present
Maureen McBride          Susan Marantz

1. **Call to Order**
The meeting was called to order at 12:45 am by Chairman Howard Strassner.

2. **Introductions**
Each member of the committee and guests introduced themselves.

3. **Review and Approval of Minutes**
Gail Wilson/Cathy Gray moved and seconded approval of the minutes from the December 9, 2004 meeting. **APPROVED.**

4. **IDPH Certificate of Need Process**
This was canceled due to lack of video conference capabilities.

Cathy Gray presented the standardized document to be used for all networks and hospitals for site visits regardless of whether it is a visit for a change in designation or just Redesignation at the same level.

John Paton/Nancy Marshall moved and seconded to accept the document. **APPROVED.**

The Facilities Designation Subcommittee heard a presentation from a hospital requesting designation as a Level III. The designation will be approved pending receipt of follow-up materials.

Nancy Marshall/Gail Wilson moved and seconded to accept the approval of Rush Copley as a designated Level III after receipt of requested follow-up materials. **APPROVED.**


Jose Gonzalez was planning on attending from a video conference connection in Rockford, and therefore was not able to present a report.


Dr. Bigger reported on yesterday’s meeting of the Council. He also reported on a presentation from one network that is surveying the methamphetamine issue in their area.


John Paton reported:

a. Problems with MMR and PMR diagnoses – a series of resources and a plan for education on the cause of death cascade were agreed to.

b. The need for data feedback to raise awareness of the importance of accurate data collection on information quality – several options were presented for future discussion.


Gail Wilson reported that the committee is waiting for feedback from IDPH legal on including language regarding what is protected under the medical studies act.


Barb talked about MMR and PMR related issues that cross all ten networks.


Level III Site Visits have been at the forefront of all administrators, as well as updated Letters of Agreement and conducting other site visits at network hospitals.
11. **New Business**
The next meeting is scheduled for June 9, 2005 at 12:30 PM.

12. **Adjournment**
The meeting went into closed session at 2:30 PM, and officially adjourned at 3:15 PM.